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P. 002**POWER OF ATTORNEY FROM ASSIGNEE**

Athersys, Inc., having a principal place of business at 11000 Cedar Avenue, Cleveland, Ohio 44106, is assignee of the entire right, title and interest for the United States of America (as defined in 35 U.S.C. § 100), by reason of an Assignment to the Assignee executed on July 1, 1999, of an invention known as "Compositions and Methods for Non-targeted Activation of Endogenous Genes" (Attorney Docket No. 5817-7, which is disclosed and claimed in a patent application of the same title by the inventor(s) John J. Harrington, Bruce Sherf, and Stephen Rundlett, said application filed on March 26, 1999, at the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office, having Application Number 09/276,820).

The Assignee hereby appoints the following U.S. practitioners to prosecute this application and any continuation, divisional, continuation-in-part, or reissue application thereof, and to transact all business in the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office connected therewith: All practitioners associated with Customer No. 000826. The Assignee hereby grants said attorneys the power to insert on this Power of Attorney any further identification that may be necessary or desirable in order to comply with the rules of the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office.

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